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Presolicitation conference set for March 22-23

DOE announces schedule for new contract

DOE's Oak Ridge Operations has announced additional information and guidelines for firms and organizations considering submitting proposals for the operation of the four large DOE facilities in Oak Ridge and Paducah.

In a March 3 announcement in the *Commerce Business Daily*, DOE confirmed that it was proceeding on a schedule to award by March 15, 1984, a contract for the operation of ORGDP, the Y-12 Plant, ORNL and the Paducah Plant.

Qualifying criteria

In its *Commerce Business Daily* announcement, DOE established criteria that prospective organizations must meet to qualify for submitting a proposal for the operating contract. Included in the criteria is a prospective contractor organization's statement of willingness to: (a) **employ the bulk of the personnel currently employed by Union Carbide at the four DOE facilities;** (b) **take over Carbide's noncontributory pension program for both past and future service;** (c) **credit employee service with Carbide toward any length of service requirements of the replacement contractor for such fringe benefits as vacation and sick leave;**

and (d) recognize and negotiate in good faith with the current labor unions.

DOE said it expects to issue a request for proposals (RFP) in April of 1983. The RFP will encourage prospective operating contractors to propose investment in the Oak Ridge community and assistance to the Oak Ridge area in diversification of its industrial base.

Presolicitation conference

Firms interested in receiving the RFP, which will provide detailed information for submitting a proposal at a later date, are advised to request copies of the RFP from DOE's Oak Ridge Operations Office.

A presolicitation conference will be held in Oak Ridge on March 22-23 at DOE's American Museum of Science and Energy, beginning at 8 a.m. with registration. The first day of the conference will include briefings on the programs and activities at the four DOE facilities, scope of work under the contract and an

unclassified tour of the three Oak Ridge facilities.

The second day of the conference will be a business session including discussions on the proposed RFP with amplification of the tentative evaluation criteria to be used by DOE's Source Evaluation Board in reviewing and evaluating proposals. Provisions of an award fee contract, which DOE plans to execute with the new contractor organization, will also be discussed, and a question-and-answer session will also be held.

DOE requirements

Interested organizations are requested to provide DOE by March 15 with a list of up to four individuals from each organization proposed for attending the conference.

A classified preproposal conference and tour of Oak Ridge facilities will be held in June of 1983.

Current information needed for update

Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Tennessee needs current dependent information to update claims records. Having current data on file will allow the company to provide faster and more efficient claims service.

A preprinted dependent information form and a preaddressed, stamped envelope will be mailed this week to each Oak Ridge salaried employee who has Blue Cross-Blue Shield family coverage. This form should be completed and returned to Nuclear Division Payroll by March 21, so it can be forwarded to the insurance company.

Updating information

If Blue Cross does not receive the current information, there will be a delay in processing claims filed for dependents.

In the future, whenever there is a change in the number of dependents covered on a Blue Cross-Blue Shield family contract, the employee should contact the Benefit Plans office to complete a change in status of dependents card. Updating information will ensure prompt handling of claims.



In this issue . . .

A new continuing feature, "Doing the unusual — Division employees at work," begins in this issue with a story about William C. Kyker, an ORNL employee who spends time on the job "going fishing." For more about Kyker, a senior laboratory technician in the Environmental Sciences Division, please turn to page 5.

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Obituaries

Orison M. Thomas dies

Orison M. Thomas, an electrical engineer in the Engineering Division at ORNL, died February 22 at Oak Ridge Hospital.



Mr. Thomas, a Union Carbide employee since 1956, lived at Route 5, North Marlow Road, Clinton.

He was a Registered Professional Engineer and a member of the ORNL Electrical Safety Committee and Wallace Memorial Baptist Church in Knoxville.

Mr. Thomas

He is survived by his wife, Fannie Frazier Thomas; a son, Carl E. of Powell; three daughters, Sandra K. Hutcheson of Seymour, Paula S. Thomas of Los Angeles, Calif., and Jamie Thomas of Clinton; his mother, Mary C. Thomas of Norris; a brother, Roy O. of Morgantown, W. Va.; two sisters, Mary Lou Parrott of Knoxville and Crystal Hart of Little Rock, Ark.; and three grandchildren.

Mr. Reed dies at home

Ernest Lee Reed, a planner and estimator in the Fabrication Division at the Y-12 Plant, died February 27 at his home. A Union Carbide employee since 1954, Mr. Reed lived at Route 2, Highway 62, Harriman.

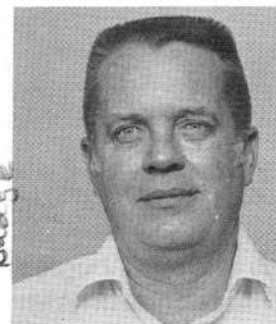
He attended the Oliver Springs Church of Christ and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys Phillips Reed; two daughters, Debby M. and Sarah L., and a son, Zane P., all of Harriman; a sister, June K. Worrell, and two brothers, Walter W. and Ralph, all of Princeton, W. Va.; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Sharp Funeral Home in Oliver Springs, and burial was at Anderson Memorial Garden in Clinton.

Mr. Houser dies in Knoxville

Cecil Houser, a supervisor in the Y-12 Assembly Division, died February 22 at a Knoxville hospital.



Mr. Houser, a 28-year Carbide employee, lived at 7508 Glastonbury Road, Knoxville. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and member of Oriental Lodge No. 453, F&AM, and Scottish Rite.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret; children, Karen and Kris of Knoxville and Leslie,

Kathleen and Kitty of Virginia; mother, Mrs. Pauline Houser; and sister, Irene Smith.

Funeral services were conducted at Rose Mortuary Chapel in Knoxville, with burial in Greenwood Cemetery.



QA WEEK COMMITTEE — Plans for Quality Assurance Week observance are being finalized by members of the steering committee. The Paducah Plant will hold its observance March 14-18, since March is "QA Month" in Kentucky. The Oak Ridge facilities will observe QA Week April 25-29. Each plant will show a videotape highlighting its quality assurance programs, training and employee contributions, and numerous other activities will take place. Committee members are, from left, Ruby A. Miller, Nuclear Division Public Relations; Roger L. Davis, Separation System Division at ORGDP; David L. Beshears, Process Support Division at ORGDP; Mack I. Sparks, Y-12 Quality Division, who serves as chairman; and Donald L. Chumbler, Technical Services Division at Paducah. Other members are William E. Stephens, Y-12 Fabrication Division, and Robin D. Taylor, ORNL Operations Division.

Save Energy-Share the Ride

ORNL

VAN POOL RIDERS NEEDED from East Knoxville — down Middlebrook Pike, Cedar Bluff and back down Middlebrook Pike to Pellissippi Parkway to East and West Portals, 8-4:30. A. J. Boatwright, plant phone 4-6041; home phone 970-4231.

CAR POOL MEMBER NEEDED from Cedar Bluff area to South Portal, 8-4:30. Malinda Hutchinson, plant phone 6-2100; home phone 693-7358.

VAN POOL RIDER NEEDED from West Knoxville (Cedar Bluff, Middlebrook Pike, Vansdale Road, Cloth World, Kingston Pike) to any portal except South, 8-4:30. Leon, plant phone 4-5723; home phone 693-3211.

BUS POOL MEMBERS NEEDED from the Burlington Area, Asheville Highway, heading in the direction of I-640, stopping at Broadway and Tazewell Pike. The next stop is Papermill and Weisgarber, then to Cloth World on Kingston Pike. The next stop via Kingston Pike, is Lovell Heights Shopping Center, then on via Pellissippi Parkway to all portals, 8-4:30. P. R. Long, plant phone 4-4154; or Twana Taylor, 4-7281.

RIDE NEEDED from Oak Ridge Highway between Karns and Solway to East Portal, 8:15-4:45. Peterson, plant phone 4-4483; home phone 690-3989.

WANTS TO JOIN CAR POOL from Ebenezer Road, Bexhill Subdivision, to any portal at ORNL. Contact: Joe, plant phone 4-6785; home phone 690-0115.

Y-12

CAR POOL MEMBERS NEEDED from Lenoir City to any portal, 8-4:30. Gabriel Thomas, home phone 986-2857.

BUS POOL RIDERS NEEDED from Rockwood/Midtown/Kingston areas to all portals except East, 8-4:30. Tommy Roberts, plant phone 4-2786; home phone Rockwood 354-2789.

BUS POOL RIDERS NEEDED from Knoxville, I-40 at Alcoa Highway (Expo Inn), 8-4:30. Joel Horton, plant phone 4-3121; home phone Maryville 983-9160.

WANT TO JOIN CAR POOL from Brendon Park/Cedar Bluff Road area, West Knoxville, to Central Portal, 8-4:30. Marlene Prater, plant phone 4-1692; home phone 693-9809.

ORGDP

CAR POOL MEMBERS WANTED from east end of Oak Ridge to any portal, day shift. Phone Doug Janney at 4-9448, home 483-1619; or Sam Blumkin at 4-8145, home 483-7865.

Patent

Robert C. Anderson, Jack M. Jones and Thomas G. Kollie, all of Y-12, for "Extrusion-Formed Uranium-2.4 Wt. Percent Article with Decreased Linear Thermal Expansion and Method for Making the Same."

Pulley appointed department head

Howard Pulley has been named manager of the Power Utilities and Chemical Departments in the Paducah Plant's Operations Division. Pulley's appointment is part of a divisional reorganization which combined the Power, Utilities and Chemical Division with Cascade Operations.

Pulley, a native of Cumberland City, Tenn., received his bachelor's degree in chemistry from Austin Peay State University.

He joined the Paducah Plant in 1966 and has served as manager in both the Technical Services and Maintenance Divisions. Most recently, he has been the manager of the Technology Department in the Technical Services Division.

Pulley and his wife, Rose, live in Paducah with their two children.



Pulley

Safety facts —

- Motor vehicle accidents are the No. 1 killer of children age 1 and older. Each year about 1,500 children under the age of 5 die from injuries received in accidents.
- The chances of being killed in a motor vehicle accident are 25 times greater when an occupant is thrown from a vehicle.
- It is the second collision that injures and kills people in an accident. The initial collision is the crash of a motor vehicle into some object. The second collision occurs when unbelted occupants still moving forward are stopped by something — the car's windshield, steering wheel, doors, dashboard or other hard interior surface.

By DOE

Hesse named source selection official

Martha O. Hesse, DOE assistant secretary for Management and Administration, has been named the source selection official for the selection of an organization to operate the four production, research and development facilities in Oak Ridge and Paducah.

As source selection official, Hesse will be responsible for making the contractor selection based on the findings of a Source Evaluation Board which will review and evaluate proposals for operating ORGDP, the Y-12 Plant, ORNL and the Paducah Plant.

SEB members

The four facilities currently are operated by Union Carbide, which announced in May of 1982 that it intended to withdraw as the operating contractor but agreed to extend its current contract, which would expire on September 30, 1983, for up to three years to allow DOE sufficient time to select a replacement.

Hesse has named Peter D. Dayton, director of the Procurement and Contracts Division with DOE's Oak Ridge Operations Office as chairman of the Source Evaluation Board (SEB). Other members of the SEB include: Charles A. Keller, technical advisor to the manager of DOE/ORO; J. T. Milloway Jr., assistant manager for Construction and Engineering and D. W. Horsewood, deputy assistant manager for Administration, both of ORO; and Victor L. Devers, chief, Weapons Branch, Quality Assurance Division, DOE's Albuquerque Operations.

Principal function

The principal function of the SEB is to receive, review and evaluate proposals submitted to DOE by organizations seeking to operate the four DOE facilities. The report of the SEB is used along with other factors by the selection official in making the selection decision by judging which of the proposals is most advantageous to the government.

DOE photo



Martha O. Hesse

Carbide earnings decline in 1982

Union Carbide Corporation recently released audited figures showing earnings in 1982 declined 52 percent to \$309.7 million from the previous year's total of \$649.0 million. Earnings per share were \$4.47 compared with \$9.56 in 1981.

Sales in 1982 totaled \$9.06 billion, down 11 percent from the \$10.17 billion of the prior year. In the fourth quarter, sales were \$2.28 billion compared with \$2.43 billion in the 1981 fourth quarter.

Net income for the 1982 fourth quarter was \$30.2 million, a 78 percent decline from the \$139.8 million reported in the 1981 fourth quarter. Fourth-quarter earnings per share totaled 42 cents, compared with \$2.04 in the fourth quarter of 1981.

1982 operating profit

Operating profit in 1982 totaled \$657 million, compared with \$1.18 billion in 1981. In the fourth quarter, operating profit was \$142 million compared with \$216 million in the 1981 fourth quarter.

In 1982, only the Batteries/Home and Automotive Products industry segment posted a gain in operating profit compared with 1981. In the fourth quarter, gains in operating profit over the 1981 fourth quarter were recorded by the Chemicals and Plastics, Batteries/Home and Automotive Products and the Specialty Products industry segments.

Operating profit for the U.S. and Puerto Rico totaled \$382 million in 1982, compared with \$852 million in 1981. For all international operations, operating profit in 1982 was \$275 million, down from \$325 million in 1981. Canada posted an operating loss of \$22 million in 1982, compared with operating profit of \$41 million in 1981.

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Promotions announced in Computer Sciences

Four promotions have been announced in the Information Systems organization of Nuclear Division Computer Sciences:

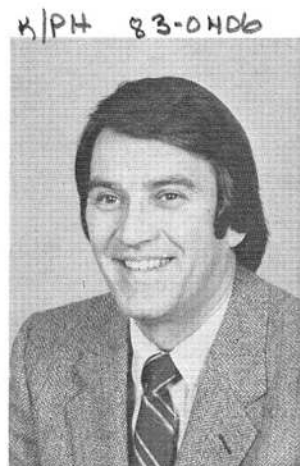
- W. Doyle Turner is head of a new department, Production Information Systems, which includes the product information, maintenance scheduling, production support and resource utilization sections;
- Paul E. Pendergrass is head of the resource utilization section, Production Information Systems Department;
- John M. Wheeler is head of the production scheduling section, Production Management Department; and
- Patricia W. Baird is head of the data input and file control section in the Nuclear Materials Management and Safeguards Systems Department.

Joined Division in 1964

Turner was born in Greenville and grew up in Pickens, S.C. He received his BS and MS degrees in applied mathematics from Clemson University and North Carolina State University, respectively, and has done additional graduate study at the University of Tennessee.

He joined the Nuclear Division as a programmer in the ORGDP Computing Technology Center in 1964. Following a two-year term of duty in the U.S. Army, he returned to his former position in 1967. He was appointed head of the heat transfer and fluid flow section, Computer Application Engineering Department, in 1973.

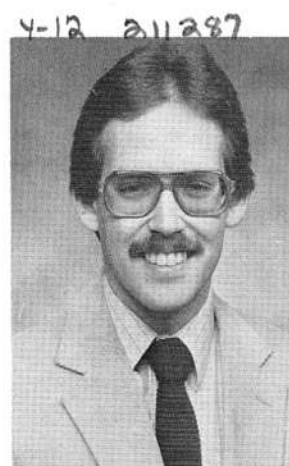
While in college, Turner received several awards and honors, including Clemson's Samuel Maner Martin Award as top bachelor's-degree graduate in applied mathematics. He is a member of several honorary organiza-



Turner



Pendergrass



Wheeler



Baird

tions, the Society of Sigma Xi, Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics and Association for Computing Machinery.

He and his wife, Judith, live on Glen Willow Drive in Knoxville.

Served in U.S. Army

Paul Pendergrass, a native of Knoxville, received his BS degree in mathematics from Carson-Newman College. Prior to joining the Nuclear Division in 1968, he served in the U.S. Army for four years.

Pendergrass worked as a programmer analyst at ORGDP until 1977 when he transferred to Computer Sciences at Y-12. He and his wife, Joyce, have a son and a daughter. They live on Kentucky Avenue in Oak Ridge.

Western Kentucky graduate

John M. Wheeler was born and raised in Russellville, Ky. He received his BS degree in computer science and business administration from Western Kentucky University, and is currently working toward an MBA degree in

management at the University of Tennessee.

Wheeler joined the resource utilization section as a programmer analyst in 1977. He transferred to the production control section as a project leader in April 1982. He and his wife, Peggy Ann, live on Tusculum Drive in Oak Ridge with their son.

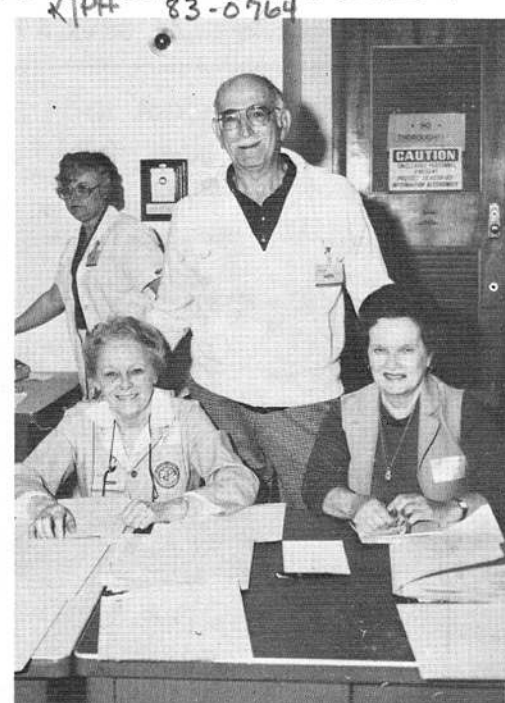
Born in Oak Ridge

Patricia W. Baird was born in Oak Ridge. She graduated with honors from Tennessee Technological University, earning a bachelor's degree in business administration. She was a member of several honorary societies.

Baird joined the Nuclear Division at ORGDP in 1978. Prior to her recent appointment, she was a project leader in the data input and file control section.

Baird is a member of the Mid-Southeast Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery and the Institute of Nuclear Materials Management. She and her husband, Robert, live on Westoak Drive in Clinton.

Medic conducts successful blood drive at ORGDP



ORGDP DRIVE SUCCESSFUL — ORGDP employees contributed 1,217 units of blood during the recent Medic blood drive. Roy Fenstermaker, drive chairman, said the success of the drive can be attributed to work by many people. "Special thanks to Mike Turpin of the Operations Division, who developed the computer program used to contact and schedule employees," he said. As in the past, Nuclear Division retirees helped with the check-in and processing of donors.

Doing the unusual — Division employees at work

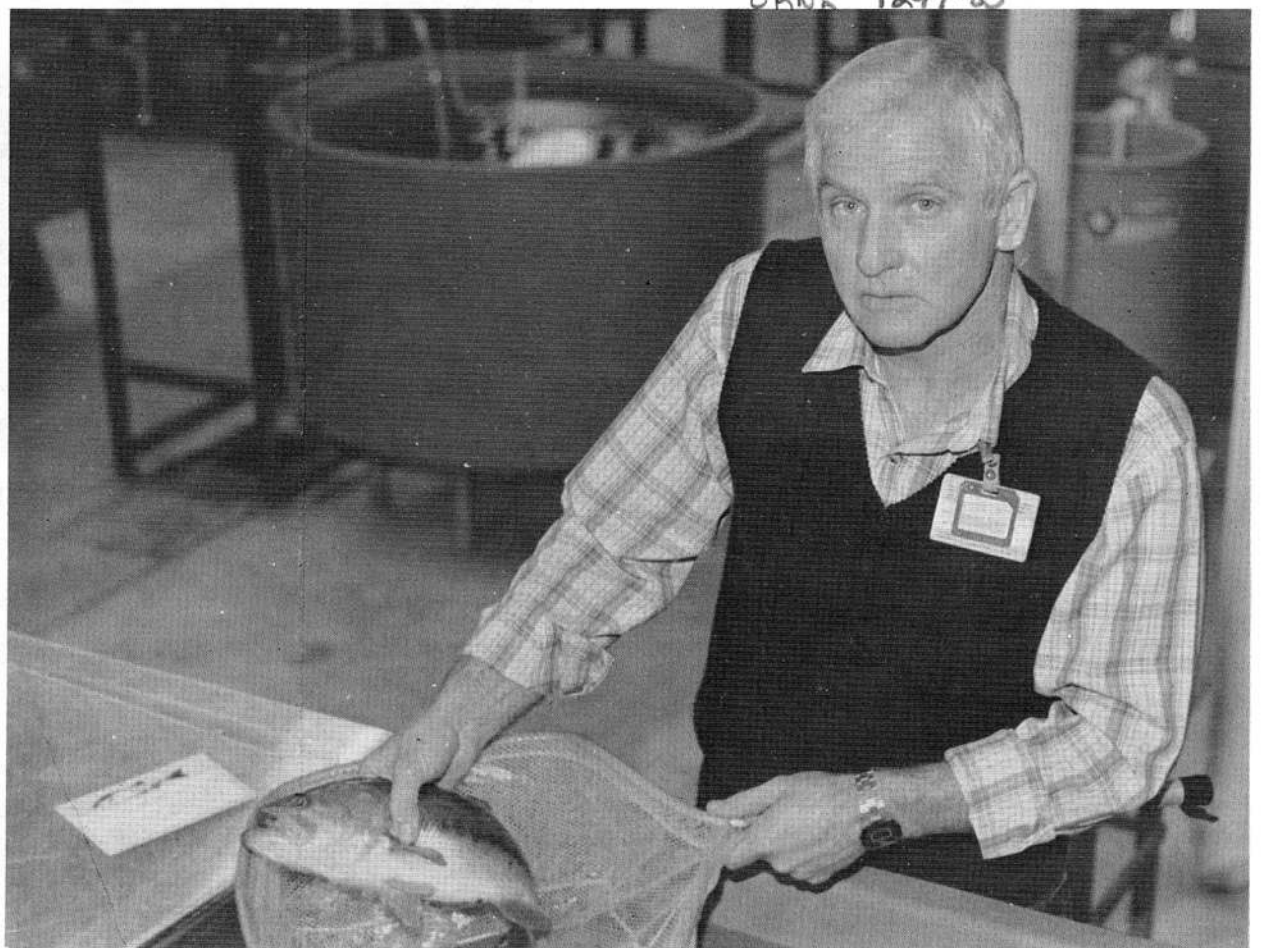
(Editor's note: The following is the first in a continuing series of articles about Nuclear Division employees with interesting or unusual occupations. If you are involved in a job that's just a little "out of the ordinary," or if you know of someone who is, please contact one of the NUCLEAR DIVISION NEWS editors listed on the masthead. We'll be happy to consider your suggestion for a possible feature.)

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Many people probably dream of vacations or retirement so that they can spend long, lazy afternoons just "going fishing." But William C. Kyker, senior laboratory technician in ORNL's Environmental Sciences Division, doesn't have to wait for a day off in order to go fishing — it's part of his job.

Kyker, who began his Carbide career in 1968 as a technician in ORNL's Biology Division, transferred to Environmental Sciences six years ago. He is assigned to the division's Aquatic Ecology Laboratory, where he is responsible for the care and feeding of the fish and other aquatic organisms contained in the facility's 90 tanks. The fish are used primarily in experimental efforts to assess the impacts of power plant cooling systems on aquatic organisms.

The Clinton resident said a "typical" day involves feeding the fish, which consume some 4000 minnows each week; cleaning tanks and filters; checking the levels of chemi-



William C. Kyker

cals in the tanks; and ensuring that each of the facility's three water systems is kept at the proper temperature. He also is responsible for maintenance around the laboratory's 21 outdoor research ponds.

Kyker's additional duties include maintaining the facility's eight motorboats and three four-wheel-drive vehicles used for towing the crafts.

The motorboats are utilized during fishing expeditions, when Kyker and his coworkers collect fish from area lakes and rivers for research projects.

The motorboats are utilized during fishing expeditions, when Kyker and his coworkers collect fish from area lakes and rivers for research projects. During the winter, they fish infrequently (only once or twice each month), but during warmer weather, the trips are made each week.

"We fish for largemouth and smallmouth bass, bluegill, crappie, catfish, all kinds," Kyker explained. "Two of our boats are equipped with electric 'shockers' that we use to stun the fish so that we can collect them for experiments."

When asked about his favorite part of the job, Kyker didn't hesitate. "Collecting the fish," he said. "I've always loved the outdoors, and this gives me a chance to spend time on some of the nicest lakes around. It's great to get paid for doing something that you enjoy so much."

Mary Lou Whitten promoted at ORGDP

Mary Lou Whitten has been promoted to general supervisor, Stores Section in the Materials Management Department of ORGDP's Finance, Materials and Services Division. She is responsible for General Stores, Field Stores, Bulk Stores and Property Sales.



Whitten

Whitten graduated with high honors from the University of Tennessee, with a BS degree in business administration and a major in accounting. Since joining the Nuclear Division in 1978, she has held positions of increasing responsibility in the Accounting and Budget Department at Y-12 and in the Auditing Division.

Whitten is a member of the Board of Directors for the Association of Government Accountants and is involved in various civic activities. She holds membership in several honorary fraternities, including Beta Alpha Psi and Beta Gamma Sigma.

A native of Bartow, Fla., Whitten and her husband, Leonard, live on Burgess Lane in Oak Ridge. They have two married children.



CHECKS WATER SUPPLY — Kyker climbs a ladder to check the water supply for one of the facility's three systems. He also is responsible for maintenance around the laboratory's 21 outdoor research ponds, and for maintaining eight boats and three four-wheel-drive vehicles used to tow them.

Bowling highlights

Y-12 C...

Larry Moore of the Un-Holy Rollers led in recent Y-12 C League action, posting a 253/271 game and 694/748 series. Other high scratch series were rolled by George Bullock (606), John Johnson (605) and Jim Hummel (603).

Carbide Lenoir City...

The Fantastic 4 lead the Carbide Lenoir City League, followed by the Smurfs and Par Busters. Leaders in recent action were Glenn Monger, 219/583 game and series, and Gwenn Skinner, 233/552 game and series.

K-25 Tuesday...

The K-25 Tuesday League is led by the All Stars, who are trailed by The Team and the City Slickers. The top bowler in recent action was J. H. Peer of the All Stars, who rolled a 247/270 game and 635/704 series.

Y-12 Classic...

Recent highs in the Y-12 Classic League were posted by Ed Tuell, 282 game, and Ken Brown 745 series. Team standings are led by the Ridgers, followed by the Kingpins and Pendulum.

ORNL A...

The ORNL A League is led by ORAU, trailed by the Challengers and Limits. Weekly prize winners included Bob Hagood (262), high handicap game; Jim Steele (225), high scratch game; and Ray Richardson (759), high handicap series. For his efforts, Richardson will receive an ABC Century Award for bowling 100 pins over his average.

Softball leagues form

Nuclear Division softball leagues are now being formed. All team managers should call the Recreation Department (4-1597) for a roster.

The team entry deadline is April 4, and league play will begin April 25.

6.2-km run announced

The Nuclear Division 6.2-Kilometer Run will be held April 9 at Clark Center Recreation Park. Starting time is 9 a.m., but runners should report to the starting area at 8:45 for race instructions.

All Nuclear Division employees are eligible to participate.

Golf league organizes

An organizational meeting for the Dead Horse Lake Golf League will be held at 1 p.m. March 29 in the conference room of the Y-12 Cafeteria. All interested employees are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Harold Alvey at 574-3611.



PADUCAH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPS — The Net Results defeated the Out of Bounds to win the Paducah volleyball tournament. Team members are, from left, Rick Keeling, Wally Malis, John Prickett, Walter Whinnery, Sam Leone, Liz Nanny, Tom Brazell, Dick Coleman and Dan Underwood. Gerald Russell is not shown.



LEAGUE AND TOURNAMENT CHAMPS — The Beech-Nuts volleyballers captured both the Carbon League North Division and tournament championships. Team members include Pam Meszaros (seated), and, kneeling, from left, Steve Johnson, Bud Leete, Hoyt Eason and Bill Stephens. On the back row are Neal Mowery, Cindy Wise, Larry Snow, Ann Backus and Jerry Harris. Holly White is not pictured.



SOUTH DIVISION WINNERS — Volleyball champions of the Carbon League South Division are members of SHHEEE. They include, on the front row, from left, James Truett, Melissa Sanders, Katie Wills, Bev Lewis and Lisa Heckendorn. On the back row are Tony Anderson, Ken Kever, Linda Johnson and Randy Howell.

Third Hawaii trip now available

Here is more good news! A third eight-day trip to Hawaii has been chartered for July 9, due to the large number of reservation requests for the May 28 and June 11 trips (which are filled). The price for the July trip is slightly higher than the cost for the first two, due to the tourist-season rate change. The three-island option, however, is still available for only \$229 more.

The plane capacity for the July trip is limited to 184, so make your reservations soon. The basic price includes round-trip airfare, lodging for seven nights in Honolulu, transfers, portage and get-acquainted breakfast (other meals are not included). Reservations may be made by sending deposits of \$50 per person (checks payable to U.S. Travels) to UCRA.

More travel news

A few seats remain for the Oak Ridge bus to the Kentucky Derby. Participants will leave the Downtown Shopping Center at 12:30 p.m. May 6, stopping at Bardstown overnight and arriving at Churchill Downs Saturday morning for the day's eight races.

The \$110 covers transportation, two nights' lodging at Bardstown and general admission to the races. For reservations, mail deposits of \$25 per person (checks again payable to U.S. Travels) to UCRA.

Golf league

A golf league organizational meeting will be held March 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Oak Ridge Senior Center. Harold Culpepper, Dunc Lang and Don Matlock will present new plans for 1983, and all golfers are encouraged to attend and share their ideas. We are looking

forward to a bigger and better league than ever before!

Paducah news

The Paduch retirees have chosen their officers for 1983. John Hornsby was re-elected president of the association, and Kathie Smith was chosen for another term as vice president. Gene White is the new secretary/treasurer, and W. L. Tarrent will serve as chaplain.

Tentative plans are being made for a summer bus trip to Oak Ridge for a joint meeting of the Paducah and Oak Ridge associations.

The Paducah Plant Recreation Committee invites retirees to join the golf league, which will begin play in April. Anyone interested in playing may call Phil Spees at the plant for details.

Retiree letters

We recently received a note from Judson Temple, Y-12 retiree now in Wisner, La., who suggested the formation of UCRA area chapters. He is interested in forming an Arkansas-Louisiana-Mississippi group with Monroe, La., as the central meeting point and an Arkansas-Louisiana-Texas group with Shreveport, La., as the meeting place. Retirees in these areas who are interested should write us in Oak Ridge, and we will forward their names and addresses to Judson.

Cecil Davidson, a Y-12 retiree living in Sunbright, also wrote, explaining that he is anxious to become involved in UCRA. We'd suggest that he consider joining one of our trips and also plan to attend our May 12 reunion at Clark Center Recreation Park. When the next blood drive is scheduled at Y-12, he might also enjoy volunteering to work with other retirees. We'll look forward to seeing him soon.

Nate Landsay, ORGDP retiree, asked us to inform others that they may have overpaid their income taxes if they filed their lump-sum retirement checks by the same method they had used prior to retirement. Some retirees apparently have received refunds by filing amended tax forms because of a law allowing ten-year averaging for portions of the lump-sum checks. Any retiree believing that he or she may have overpaid should check the return filed for the year the lump sum was paid.

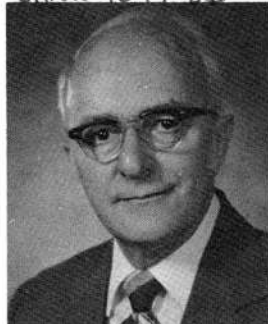
Thank you

We appreciate the time and effort of the volunteers who worked at the recent ORGDP blood drive. Thanks also to the organizers of the drive, who made our work easy.

Another drive will be held at ORNL in April, and Dramia Smith will again serve as retiree volunteer coordinator. Please call her at 483-5057 if you are interested in working during the drive.

People . . .

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Goodwin

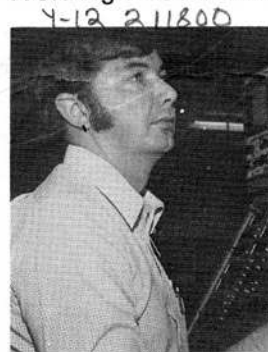
Receives HPS award

Myron F. Fair, health physicist in the ORNL Industrial Safety and Applied Health Physics Division, has received the annual "distinguished service award" of the East Tennessee Chapter of the Health Physics Society.

Fair, who joined Union Carbide in 1948, is a member of the East Tennessee Chapter of the Health Physics Society and has taught health physics courses in the United States and abroad.

Named ASM fellow

Gene M. Goodwin, research staff member in ORNL's Metals and Ceramics Division, has been named a fellow of the American Society for Metals. Goodwin, a member of the ORNL staff since 1968, is a member of the American Welding Society, Welding Research Council and Sigma Xi.



Jones



Pierce

Named Inspector of Year

Robert M. Jones, a senior materials inspector in the Product Certification Division at Y-12, has been selected as the Nuclear Division's "Quality Inspector of the Year."

The award is presented to a quality control inspector who has made outstanding contributions in the following areas: on-the-job knowledge and abilities; interpersonal relationships with peers, supervisors and off-site manufacturers; training of others; and continued professional development efforts.

Passes CPT certification

Nancey Pierce of the Paducah Plant's Technical Services Division has passed her CPT Operator Certification Test. She completed the exam, which tests ability in word, information and number processing, in 30 minutes with no errors.

Pierce joins some 50 other Nuclear Division secretaries who have passed the certification exam.

Union Carbide Retirees' Association



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Anniversaries

ORGDP

35 YEARS

James R. Carden, Technical Services.

30 YEARS

William L. Adkins, Maintenance; and Preston A. Cuthbertson Jr., Technical Services.

25 YEARS

Harry G. Conner, John P. Cowen, Sam E. Ellis and Joseph D. Sherrod.

20 YEARS

Leon L. Lowery.

PADUCAH

30 YEARS

Elmer C. Breidert, Development and Plant Coordination; Harold F. Brown, Plant Services; Lenith A. Rogers, Chemical Processing Department; Carol F. Alexander, Waste Water Treatment; Joseph R. Elliott, Dry Air Production; Wendell M. Cox, Electrical Department; Harold D. Hargan, Chemical Processing Department; Edwin L. Parham, High Voltage Switchyards and Distribution Systems; and Wanda M. Pendergrass, Purchasing.

ORNL

35 YEARS

Raymond E. Millspaugh, Industrial Safety and Applied Health Physics; Thomas C. Quinby, Operations; Richard C. Shipwash, Chemical Technology; George A. Holt, Instrumentation and Controls; Betty L. Pope, Fusion Energy; and Liane B. Russell, Biology.

30 YEARS

Richard H. Anderson, Instrumentation and Controls; Thomas R. Rice, Operations; Frank L. Herron, Operations; and Herbert D. Mobley, Operations.

25 YEARS

Joseph Lewin, Franklin L. Milen, James M. Williams, Ernest Wilson and William H. Davy Jr.

20 YEARS

Carl W. Kunselman, Fred R. Chattin, Everline B. Wright, Edward J. Howard Sr. and Roaul E. Wright.

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PADUCAH QA AWARD WINNERS — Maintenance and Operations personnel at the Paducah Plant recently received Quality Assurance Recognition Awards for their roles in preventing potentially significant quality problems. On the front row, from left, are Frank Smith, Michael Baker, Spencer Titus, William Vanvactor and Clay Zerby. On the back row are Robroy Millican, Tom Morris, Dale Miles, George Chapman, Howard Pulley and C. O. Hayes.

Question Box

Why have different speed limits?

QUESTION: Why is the posted speed limit on Avenue F, north of Portal 2 at ORGDP, 30 mph for northbound traffic but only 20 mph for southbound traffic?

ANSWER: The noted condition was an oversight created when signs were changed in the past. The condition already has been corrected by replacing the 30 mph sign with a 20 mph sign, thus making the signs agree. Thank you for being very observant.

Poor insurance claims service

QUESTION: Recently I sent Blue Cross five claims in one submission, all of which were properly documented (forms signed, etc.). They pulled one of the claims out and paid it. When I asked Benefit Plans about the remaining four, they found that Blue Cross had lost the other four. I went to considerable expense

to amass all of these documents. Can we not demand better service out of the insurance carrier than we are getting?

ANSWER: We have advised Blue Cross of the problem you experienced with your claims. They have assured us they will take every precaution to keep this from happening in the future. Even though Blue Cross processes approximately 650 claims per day for Nuclear Division employees and their dependents, we do not expect them to misplace claims. The Company is paying significant amounts of money for medical plans. Our desire and the insurance company's objective are that all claims be processed in a prompt and satisfactory manner.

Anyone having difficulty with an insurance claim is urged to report it to the Benefit Plans Office at his/her installation.

Safety Scoreboard

Time worked without a lost-time accident through March 3:

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| Y-12 Plant | 41 Days | 1,331,000 Employee-Hours |
| ORGDP | 385 Days | 8,733,460 Employee-Hours |
| ORNL | 260 Days | 5,465,002 Employee-Hours |
| Paducah | 947 Days | 7,680,534 Employee-Hours |

Safety tip: when driving, use an approved child restraint device for all children under 5. Holding a baby in your lap is the most dangerous way to transport a child.

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